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What It Means

It seems that not a few of our readers do not fully understand the figures on the label which appear each week on the EVANGELIST. Permit us once more to make the matter plain: The first two figures, or the first one, if there is but one, show with what number of the paper the subscription expires; the last two figures are always the last two figures of the year. For example: 37-01, means that your paper expires with number 37 of the year 1901; 8-00, means that your subscription expired with number 8 of the year 1900, that is last year; 25-01 means that your subscription will expire with number 25 of this year, 1901. The figures 50-01 mean that your subscription expires with number 50 of this year, or the last number of the year 1901.

Probably there is no more important phase of the troublesome "Race Question," of the South, than the matter of the industrial education of the negroes. A large number of industrial and technical schools have of late years, sprung up in various Southern States, at which the young men and women of the colored race are being taught to become practical workers, mechanics and artisans. Those who believe that the just recognition and human treatment of the black man of the south by his white brother depends upon the industrial emancipation of the former, and upon his independence as a wage-earner and skill as a handicraftsman in the competitive industrial struggle find their foremost champion in Booker T. Washington. Mr. Washington is at the head of the Tuskegee, Ala., Industrial Institute, which has in attendance over 1,000 colored students and he has been engaged to explain this great movement on the lecture platform at Chautauqua next summer.

Personal Mention

The meeting at New Enterprise, Pa., conducted by the pastor, Brother Keller, closed with 13 confessions, eleven baptized, and two more to baptize.

Brother Talley is busy at work for the Lord in the great city of Chicago. It means hard work, and it is but our reasonable service that we render him such help as is within our power to give, whether spiritual or material or both.

Brother Smith writes encouragingly of the work "across the Delaware." We are glad to have this man of God in Jersey to take care of the work in that State.

Brother Hazlett closed a series of revival services in his home congregation, Elk Lick, Pa., resulting in three accessions, and the membership greatly strengthened.

Brother M. S. White is conducting a series of revival meetings at Maple Grove, Indiana; he reports three accessions to date, and the meetings continuing with good interest.

Brother N. D. Wright is engaged in revival work at Lawford, W. Va., and under date of January 21, he writes that there are three applicants for baptism, and others almost persuaded.

Brother Kimmel writes that he thinks the EVANGELIST is getting better all the time, and that he is ready to do what he can to increase the subscription list.

Thru Brother Myers, Millersburg, Iowa, we learn that the Brethren at that place are erecting a new church building which will be ready for dedication in a few weeks.

February 3, brother W. H. Miller, the pastor, begins revival work at Roann, Indiana, and in view of this fact some one from that place orders extra literature and writes, "Our Sunday-school seems to have taken on new life with the new century, and our supplies are not sufficient to supply the demand."

Brother Alvin Byers is engaged in revival work in the Rosedale congregation, and already eleven confessions are reported. It has been a long while since the readers of this paper had the privilege of hearing anything from our young brother; we are glad to report that he is busy in the Lord's vineyard.

Our readers will be glad to hear from Brother Bowman, Longmont, Colorado. His health is improving, but judging from what he writes he intends to remain there, even if he does recover his health. That being so a few other brethren should locate in that place and thus form the nucleus for a class of Brethren. Is there an opening for home seekers, Brother Bowman?

Brother Fox began revival work in the Oakville church on Tuesday January 29. A report of the meeting will be published after its close. Brother Fox's work has been hindered somewhat on account of sickness in his family, during the last twelve weeks. We are glad to learn that Sister Fox has recovered, or is recovering from this long siege of sickness.

The meetings in the Dayton Mission closed with ten conversions, and we feel sure the little band of workers there are more closely united, and stronger than they have ever been. Brother Bauman is now at Bethesda, Ohio, assisting Brother Grisso in revival work; from there he goes to Bryan. We expect him to visit at Ashland after he has finished his work at the points named.

Brother Kimmel has just closed a very successful meeting at Ankenytown, Ohio, resulting in nine accessions. He is now at work at North Liberty, another of his appointments. While we regret to see Brother Kimmel leave his congregations, yet we are glad to know that he will take charge of the Dayton work April 1, 1901. We hope to build up a strong congregation in that city, and the prospects certainly are very good.

The Winchester, Ohio, (Gratis) correspondent to the Eaton Herald says, "Rev. Mackey has announced services at the Progressive church for each night this week. The Rev. is a very able man and is putting up a series of sermons the like of which has never been attempted by any of his

predecessors. Don't fail to hear him." Later Brother Mackey writes a card as follows: Meeting at Winchester, Ohio, closed last evening, January 27, on account of the prevalence of Grip. Held seventeen services, resulting in five accessions. Meeting to begin in Farmersville, February 3. When the revival season is passed I shall have preaching each night, and twice, occasionally three times, on Sabbath for about eleven weeks."

We regret to learn that Brother Tombaugh's father is suffering from a stroke of paralysis and that his condition is quite critical. He has not spoken a word since he had the stroke and his right side is helpless. Brother Tombaugh, of the Hagerstown charge, is with his father in Washington, Pa., where he will remain to await results. We extend to him our sympathies and earnestly hope for the very best in the case that can be reasonably expected.

Replying to Brother Yoder in reference to the statement made by Brother Mackey in his "Twentieth Century" article in the EVANGELIST that the "rich are growing richer and the poor are growing poorer," the latter writes, "I would have dear Brother Yoder read Revelation 2: 8-10, and see that there is no conflict of opinion between him and me. The Twentieth Century article, to which exception is taken, was written from the standpoint of social science; the church is beyond that. I thoroughly agree with Brother Yoder and Brother Gillin; and yet 'the poor are growing poorer, and the rich are growing richer.'"

The meeting in the Homer church conducted by the pastor, Brother Jacobs, has closed with thirty-four confessions. We have already, in several previous issues called attention to this meeting. It has certainly been one of the most successful held in the brotherhood during the revival season thus far. Thirty-four is a number sufficient to make a very respectable congregation in itself, and more than one of our pastors is preaching for a congregation with less of a membership than thirty-four. Brother Jacobs has been the means of strengthening his work in more than one way, first in numbers, and second in spiritual power. May the Lord bless all these young converts, whether young in years or not, and may he help them to remain faithful and become a great power for God in the years to come.

Brother Yoder quotes an evangelist from a neighboring town as saying, "No Christian will fail to pay his debts," and adds, "The editors of that town heartily respond, Amen, and remind their readers of that part of the Evangelist sermon and suggest that those in arrears pay up. Are your patrons all Christians, Brother Gnagey?" Now, that is really a very delicate question, and we do not like to answer, but of this be assured, that we would be very glad if some Evangelist would visit a goodly number of our subscribers and press home to them this same truth. Whether all our patrons are Christians or not may not be ours to say; one does not like to sit in judgment but one thing is certain, if the payment of every thing due the Publishing House is made a test, or if the payment of all arrearages on subscriptions is an essential element in that which constitutes a Christian, then it is to be feared that not a few fall short of the requirement. But this might raise the question of inability to pay.

Dear Brother Moomaw: With a little persuasion thou wouldst fain make the editor a pessimist also; but he is not inclined that way. The propositions laid down we cannot accept. Very largely the statements made, including the several wars now in progress, are matters of opinion. If there is any one man who has reasons to be pessimistic so far as his business is concerned it is the rich man, the